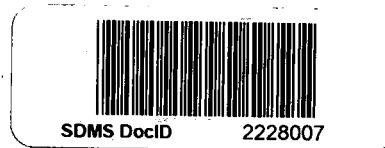




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Subject: Peer Review Comments
TDD No. F3-8806-37
EPA No. PA-1881
Electric Materials Company
North East, Erie County, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Dappolone:

Submitted herewith are the responses to peer review comments for the subject site. Typographical errors have been corrected, and grammatical changes have been made where appropriate.

In response to comments by Maria Malave, as discussed during a telephone conversation with Peter Uhlman on June 8, 1989, the following is offered:

1. The word "pond" has been changed to "pit" within the text, to agree with the site sketch.
2. The quantity of waste has been changed for consistency throughout the report.
3. The referenced regulatory action has been clarified.
4. The statement has been corrected.
5. The information regarding the storage of solvents has been updated as requested.
6. The statement has been deleted.
7. The directions have been included within the description of latitude and longitude.
8. The type of ownership has been included.
9. The net annual precipitation has been added.

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10. Since lead in drinking water is currently being re-evaluated and no criteria for potable lead are currently available, the EPA Region III Office of Water Supply has developed an Interim Emergency Action Level of 20 ug/l for lead in drinking water. This action level is used for purposes of emergency notification in this region (Interim Emergency Action Level for Lead in Drinking Water; memorandum from EPA Region III, Superfund Branch, Site Support Section; January 20, 1989). Since an emergency notification for lead in HW-2 was sent to EPA, it is justifiable to include this action level in the report.
11. The PRescore and PROscore have been changed on the cover letter to agree with the score sheets.

In response to comments by Fred Sturniolo, the following is offered:

12. The information provided on the dry well has been clarified.
13. The location of the springs supplying the additional surface water intake has been referenced in relation to the site. Also, the probable reason for the existence of the springs has been included within the text.
14. The requested information has been included.
15. The removal of the soil from the site has been referenced in section 3.3.2.
16. The distance to the nearest drinking water well has been included.
17. An estimate of the potential yield of the aquifer of concern has been provided in gallons per minute.
18. The permeability of the bedrock has been adjusted as requested.

In response to comments by Dawn Ioven, the following is offered:

19. As per a telephone discussion between Dawn Ioven and David Crothers, of this office, on June 7, 1989, the comment cannot practically be addressed because NUS did not perform the quality assurance review for the organic portion of this case.
20. The statement concerning lead on page 8-1 has been corrected.
21. Lead has been added to the Bakers Creek sediment discussion.

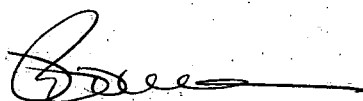
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22. The page containing reference nos. 10 through 20 has been included.


If you have any further questions, please contact me.

Respectfully submitted,



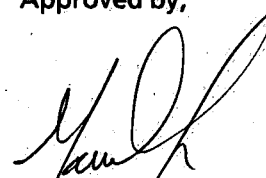
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